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AGAWAM, MASS. 01001: THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 1970

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Local Youngsters Join Safety Patrol Trip To Washington

Forty boys and girls will represent Agawam on the AAA's Annual Trip to Washington for School Safety Patrols next month according to Safety Officer Harold J. Burnett.

The local youngsters will be part of a group of nearly 250 Western Mass. boys and girls who will leave on Thursday, May 7 by bus caravan for the nation's capitol, returning Saturday, May 9.

Youngsters are selected to represent Agawam by school and safety officials, and are sponsored by local businesses and civic organizations.

Safety Patrol boys and girls in the event this year will represent 15 cities and towns: Springfield, Agawam, Bondsville, Chicopee, Easthampton, Granville, Hampden, Millers Falls, Montague, Palmer, Three Rivers, Thorndike, Turners Falls, Westfield and Wilbraham.

The AAA announced 25 adult supervisors — including registered nurses, police safety and Registry of Motor Vehicle officers, school and AAA officials — will lead the Western Massachusetts group.

Patrol youngsters will visit important sights in and around the nation's capitol, including the White House, President Kennedy's Grave, Mount Vernon, the Smithsonian Institute, Washington Monument, Lincoln and Jefferson Memorials, the Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Bureau of Engraving & Printing, National Archives and the Marine Corps Iwo Jima War Memorial.

The group will be welcomed by Congressman Silvio O. Conte and Edward P. Boland, who will arrange a guided tour of the historic U.S. Capitol Building.

The AAA organizes the event each year to bring recognition to the good citizenship and lifesaving work of School Safety Patrols.

Baptist Church Spring Smorgasbord

A Spring smorgasbord will be served at the Agawam Baptist Church sponsored by the United Women's Fellowship on Saturday, the 25th, in the church hall from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

The menu includes: fresh fruit, ham, turkey, Swedish meatballs, baked beans, American chop suey, Harvard beets, French-style green beans casserole, sauerkraut, potato salad, tossed salad, molded sunset salad, deviled eggs, relish tray, rolls, butter, assorted home-made pies, coffee, tea and milk.

Tickets for adults are \$2. and children under 12, 99c. For reservations call: 734-2422, 734-2684, 734-0700 or 786-1444.



AIRMAN DEL NEGRO

SAN ANTONIO — Airmen Gerald L. Del Negro, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alphonso Del Negro, 8 Stewart Lane, Agawam, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to Keesler AFB, Miss., for training in the administrative field. Airmen Del Negro is a 1969 graduate of Agawam High School.

K of C Council Meet Tonight

The President John F. Kennedy Council, Knights of Columbus will meet tonight at 8 in the Council Home on South St., Agawam.

Rev. George Linse, Pastor of Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills, will be guest speaker, Fr. Linse will show slides of his recent European trip.

Refreshments will be served following the showing.

Catholic Women's Club Program 'Cavalcade Of Cottons'

The Catholic Women's Club of Agawam will hold their April meeting Monday evening, the 20th, at 8:30 o'clock, in St. John's Hall, Agawam. President Mrs. J. Rene Hamel will preside at the



MRS. ALEXANDER TOCZKO

business meeting, at which a slate of officers then to be presented by the nominating committee will be voted upon.

Mrs. Alexander G. Toczko, program chairman, and Mrs. Thomas Doyle, pianist, will highlight the evening with a "Cavalcade of Cottons". The season's favorite cottons will be featured in a fashion presentation; cottons for all occasions make up the collection which is coordinated by the Cotton Producers Institute and McCall's Patterns. Presenting many design ideas to the creative home sewer, the showing will consist

"Spring Sing-In" Held at Peirce

The April meeting of the Faolin Peirce P.T.A. held on Wednesday, April 15th at the Peirce School cafeteria featured a concert of song put on by the combined fourth grades of Peirce School, under the direction of grade 4 teacher, Mr. V. Valentine. This year's concert featured songs with a "Showboat" flavor, reminiscent of the old South sprinkled with a dash of traditional and school favorites.

Following the concert the children were guests of honor of the P.T.A. and were themselves entertained with refreshments and a show of magic by magician, Saudi Shah.

A short business meeting preceded the concert and entertainment under the leadership of Peirce P.T.A. president, Mrs. Frank Labun. Following the meeting and concert, refreshments were served to all.

Five Steps Proposed On Welfare Reform

The Special House Committee on Welfare in Western Massachusetts having completed some two months of investigations, met with Gov. Francis W. Sargent April 8th and recommend that the chief executive take five steps to reform the overall administrative operation of the Commonwealth's welfare system.

By unanimous vote, the bipartisan committee urges that Gov. Sargent:

1. — Remove from office Robert Ott, Commissioner of Public Welfare.

2. — Remove from office Lawrence A. Durkin, acting director of the Springfield Welfare Office and his second in command, Bruce Bowens

3. — Support our legislation filed today to correct the C.E.P. (Concentrated Employment Program) so that former welfare recipients trained as welfare case aides do not enter the State service at a higher pay rate than career or civil service employees of the Welfare Department.

4. — Direct the Executive Office of Administration and Finance to immediately launch a manpower survey of professional social welfare staffing, as our investigations indicate an acute understaffing of skilled social workers.

5. — Direct the Executive office of Administration and Finance to immediately implement a computerized and modernized record system to free social workers for social work.

Additionally, the committee urges that the Speaker of the House and the membership of the House authorize the creation, staffing and funding of a special House Committee to conduct investigations similar to our Springfield investigation on a state-wide basis.

Such a special committee would be empowered to look into all aspects of the state welfare department operations, and would be granted the power to subpoena relevant records and require the presence of necessary witnesses.

The committee makes its recommendations today in the hopes that their implementation will allow that thousands of dedicated welfare workers and officials to do an effective job in helping (Please Turn To Page 5)

Ladies Aid Society To Meet April 23

The Ladies Aid Society of the Agawam Congregational Church will hold their meeting on Tuesday noon, the 23rd, in the parish hall of the church.

The program will be a cake decorating demonstration given by Mrs. Louis Mercadante of Feeding Hills.

A luncheon will be served at noon in the hall and be followed by a business meeting. Mrs. Donald Fogg, president, will then introduce Mrs. Mercadante.

Annual YMCA Smorgasbord Slated April 18

The annual smorgasbord for the benefit of the Agawam YMCA will be held on Saturday, April 18 at the Agawam Junior



NICHOLAS ZUCCO

High cafeteria with continuous serving from 5 to 7 p.m.

Nicholas Zucco is head chef for this event and requests all members of the Board of Directors to meet at his home at 395 Suffield St. at 7 p.m. on the 16th for briefing on the (Please Turn To Page 3)

Local Jaycee-ettes Appeal for Coupons

The Agawam Jaycee-ettes asked today that an appeal be made to the people of Agawam to aid them in one of their current projects.

All Jaycee-ette chapters throughout Massachusetts are supporting a campaign to save Betty Crocker Coupons. Over 100,000 coupons are still needed to purchase a heart monitor machine for Boston Children's Hospital. Only four months from now is the cut off date for the campaign.

Realizing the importance of the campaign, Mr. Raymond McCarr (Please Turn To Page 3)

Golden Age Club To Meet April 22

The Agawam Golden Age Club will hold their April meeting Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 in the parish hall of the Agawam Congregational Church.

In conjunction with the meeting there will be a White Elephant Sale. Refreshments will be served.

The club sponsors a card party every Monday afternoon at 1:30 in the Captain Charles Leonard House on Main St.

Benevolent Society To Meet Monday

The Ladies Benevolent Society of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church will meet on Monday evening at 8.

On Monday, the 20th, they will have their annual Guest Night program. Rev. Robert Berkey, interim pastor of the church, will present "Tour of the Holy Land" with pictures.

All church members are invited and friends. Refreshments will be served.

A Mother-Daughter banquet will take place on Saturday, the 25th, at 6 p.m., following dinner for which reservations should be made with Mrs. Burton or Mrs. Allen. The "Musicampers," under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. David Thompson, will present folk songs old and new. This is an instrumental and vocal group and a special feature will be a medley in costume from "The Wizard of Oz."

Gridiron "Moms" Cake Sale Saturday

The Agawam Gridiron "Moms" will conduct a Cake Sale on Saturday, the 18th, at the Agawam Food Mart to begin at 9 a.m. Mothers of all football players have been contacted and will furnish delicious "home-made" cakes to be sold for the benefit of the Football Scholarship Fund.

With the new football season soon to be upon us, the Moms earnestly request that you support your team, and projects such as these, that make it possible for each graduating football player who plans to further his education to receive a scholarship.

Anyone wishing to donate baked goods for the sale can contact Mrs. Gloria Quintal, cake sale chairman, or any of the Gridiron Mothers.

K of C Plan Baked Lasagna Supper

James O. Girard, Grand Knight of President John F. Kennedy Council, No. 5585, Knights of Columbus of Agawam, has announced the appointment of Tim Nicoli and Emilio Saraitilli as co-chairmen of their first annual Baked Lasagna Supper to be held at the Agawam Junior High School.

The Grand Knight expects that this will be an annual event for the Council to raise funds for the Council's charitable activities.

The co-chairmen will announce the committee assignments soon. Tickets for the affair are now available and can be purchased from any member of the Council.

CHURCH NEWS

AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

459 Mill Street, Agawam
Rev. Ronald G. Oakland,
Minister
Mrs. Richard Fearn, Organist
Mrs. Marshall Keyes,
Sanctuary Choir Director
Mrs. Kenneth Alexander,
Jr. Youth Choir Director

Sunday — 9:30 a.m. Service of worship. Nursery for infants. Church School through Senior High; 10:30 — Coffee hour in Fellowship Hall; 6:30 p.m. Junior and Senior Youth Fellowship.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor
Mrs. Nancy Lund, Choir Director
Mrs. Ruth Daniels, Organist
Mrs. Barbara Briggs,
Church Secretary

Thursday: 1:30 p.m. Ella Bond Circle meet at home of Mrs. Frances Hodge, Bailey St.; 7:30 p.m. Senior Choir rehearse at church.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship — Rev. Lockhart will preach at worship service... Senior Choir will sing; 10:30 a.m. Church School for all ages; 5 p.m. Bell Choir rehearse at church; 6 p.m. Junior High and Seniors BYFs meet at church; 7:15 p.m. Senior Choir will present an Evening of Music with members of the Dunbar Community Center Chorale Group. The

public is invited to attend.
Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. Melody Choir rehearse at church; 6:30 p.m. The Mr. and Mrs. Club meeting in Bodurtha Hall.
Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. ... Trading Post open.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister
Mrs. Andrew Toussaint,
Minister of Music
Mrs. Lewis Moors,
Church Secretary

Friday: 1 p.m., Boy Scout meeting; 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary Choir rehearsal.
Saturday: 9:30 a.m., Youth Choir rehearsal.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m., Church School, 5th thru 12th Grade; 10:30 a.m., church school, nursery thru 4th Grade and church at Morning Worship, Dr. Cosart, guest speaker.

Tuesday: 7:30 p.m., Church Council.

Wednesday: 6:30 p.m., Merriweds supper meeting; 6:30 p.m., Senior Choir rehearsal.

ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar
Sunday — 8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10 a.m. Festival Service; 7 p.m. Evening prayer.

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Rev. Robert F. Berkey,
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Randall L. Noftall, Organist
Cynthia A. Meyer, Choir Director
Sunday—10 a.m. Church School kindergarten thru grade nine and Worship Service.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

Rev. Walter J. Joyce
Rev. Albert Blanchard
Saturday—9 a.m. CCD classes Grades 1 thru 6 at the Junior High School; 4 to 5 p.m. Confessions; 5 p.m. Mass and 7:30 p.m. Mass-Confessions will follow.

MASS SCHEDULE
Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 a.m.
Monday—7 p.m. CCD classes for Grades 7-12.
Tuesday—5:30 p.m. Mass followed by Miraculous Medal Novena.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

FEEDING HILLS
Rev. George Lase, C.S.S.
Rev. James Shea, C.S.S.
Saturday—4 to 5 p.m. Confes-

sions and 6 p.m. evening Mass; 7:30 to 8:30 Confessions.
Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 11:30 a.m. Masses.
Tuesday—7:30 p.m. Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

Rev. Samuel Fayad, C.S.S.
Rev. Joseph Mantia, C.S.S.
Saturday—4 to 5 p.m. Confessions.

MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday — 6 p.m. and 7:15 p.m.
Sunday—7—8:30—10:30 a.m.
Week days—7 a.m.
Holy days—7 and 9 a.m., 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.
Tuesdays—7:30 p.m. St. Anthony Devotions.

ST. THERESA OF INFANT JESUS CHURCH

Rev. Paul Bernard
MASS SCHEDULE
Daily Mass—7 a.m.
Saturday — 5 p.m. Evening Mass, Confessions to follow. Also at 7:30 p.m. Confessions.
Sunday — 7, 9 and 11 a.m. Masses.

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Round The Town



By Ann Nael
phone ST 8-8996

Karen Kozlowski, a senior, and Jimmy Gibson, a junior, both at the Agawam High School Chorale were selected to participate in the Mass. All-State Chorus Concert which was held in Waltham, April 2, 3 and 4. These students were selected in auditions held throughout the state. Both were seen recently in lead roles of "Carousel," the Agawam High's annual play. They are also active members of the Chorale and Band. Karen is vice-president of the Chorale and a member of the Girls Chorus and Madrigal singers at the school. She has been in the Western Mass. District Chorus for three years.

VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Mrs. Hazel Prior, Choir Director
Mrs. John MacPherson, Organist
Mrs. Richard Orr,
Church Secretary
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Dwight Mower, Minister
Sunday—9 a.m. Bible classes for all ages; 10 a.m. Morning Worship service; 6 p.m. Evening Worship.
Thursday—7 p.m. Bible Study —visitors are welcome.

GOLDEN TOUCH OF HOSPITALITY

BY JANE ASHLEY

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Fresh fruit flavor abounds from this easy berry sauce. Mixed in a blender, it uses frozen fruit, and takes mere minutes to prepare. Serve the sauce warm over ice cream for sundaes or on cake.

Blender Berry Sauce

1 (10-ounce) package frozen raspberries or strawberries, thawed

1/2 cup orange juice

1 tablespoon corn starch

Put all ingredients in blender. Cover and run blender at high speed until ingredients are well blended, about 1 minute. Pour into saucepan. Bring to full boil, stirring constantly. Boil 1 minute. Sauce will be slightly thickened. Serve warm over ice cream or cake. Makes 1 1/2 cups.

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MONDAY, APRIL 20
ROUTE 1

Audubon, Arnold, Broz Ter., Carmen Ave., Cleveland, Coronet Cir., Duclos Dr., Francis, Gale, Grant, Hall, Harding, Homer, James, Letendre Ave., Liberty, Maynard, McKinley, Norman Ter., Norman Ter. Ext., North, Oak Lane, Pleasant Dr., Ridgeway Dr., Robin Ln., Sherman Ave., Sylvan Ln., Taft, Walton Ln., Wilbert Ter., Wilson, and Woodland St.

TUESDAY, APRIL 21
ROUTE 2

Acorn, Agnoli Pl., Annabelle, Bessbrook, Chapin, Cherry, Colemore, Daniel, Day, Eastern Ave., Fenton, Franklin, Frawirth Ave., Giffin Pl., Greenock, Hastings, Hayes Ave., Henry, Highland, Horsham Pl., Kensington, Lenox, Lincoln, Line, Mooreland, Norris, Norwood, Oak, Park, Pierce, Portland Pl., Ralph, Rhodes Ave., Sequoia Dr., Springfield, White, William and Witheridge St.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22
ROUTE 3

Barn Rd., Begley, Birchwood Ter., Bridge, Brookside Pl., Church, Columbus, Cooley, Cottage, Country Rd., Dwight, Ellington, George, High, Highland Ave., Hillcrest Ave., Howard, Keating Ln., King, King Ave., Laurel, Lexington, Maple, McGrath Ter., Moore, Morris, Mulberry, Oak Ave., Oak Hill Ave., Orchard, Ottawa, Pasadena, Prospect, Randall, River, Rowley, Royal Ln., Royal, Scherpa, Spencer, Spring, Summer, Sutton Pl., Tower Ter., Valley, Walnut, Walnut St. Ext., and Winthrop St.

THURSDAY, APRIL 23
ROUTE 4

Alexander Ave., Belmont Ave., Belvidere, Briar Hill Rd., Brookline, Carol Dr., Churchill Ave., Clover Hill Dr., Columbia Ave., Country View Cir., Daniel, Fordham Ave., Fox Farms Rd., Granger Dr., Harvard Ave., North St. Ext., No. Westfield, N. West, Northwood, New York Ave., Oriole Dr., Parkview Dr., Pleasant Valley Rd., Provin Mt. Dr., Richmond Ave., Ridgeview Dr., Robin Ridge Dr., Strawberry Hill Rd., Squire Ln., Roosevelt Ave., Thalia Dr., Vassar Dr. and Yale Ave.

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Round out the menu with a fresh fruit salad and crumb-topped fresh asparagus or broccoli spears for an easy dress-up dinner that's balanced in flavor and good nutrition.

Nutted Rice And Ham

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2 1/2 cups water 12 baked or boiled ham slices
Honey

Cook contents of rice and seasoning packets with water as directed on package. Add peanuts; mix. Turn into greased shallow 1 1/2-quart baking dish. Brush ham slices with honey; roll each slice and place, seam side down, on rice. Brush tops with honey. Bake 15 minutes at 375°F., or until heated through. Brush again with honey; serve hot. NOTE: Nutted rice may be served as an accompaniment to baked ham or ham slices. Makes 6 servings.

Annual YMCA

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smorgasbord.

KICK-OFF MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

This year the smorgasbord will also be the kick-off of the Membership Enrollment effort of the "Y". The goal is to get 700 new members to join. Tickets may be bought at the door that evening.

MENU

The following will be on the menu: roast beef, chicken, meat balls, cold cuts, potato salad, tossed salad, macaroni salad, tuna fish salad, baked beans, regatoni and meat sauce, cheeses, fruit salad, pies, bread, coffee, tea, milk and other desserts.

The "Y" Junior Leaders Club will help in the hall and with the tables, the Lions Club will help with the cooking and the wives of the "Y" Board of Directors will donate cakes and bread for a booth. Mrs. Robert Binnenkade and Mrs. Joseph Bercier are heading the group.

Local Jaycee-ettes

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rol, manager of the Agawam Food Mart, has offered space in his store for the placement of a container for the coupons. Anyone wishing to help the Jaycee-ettes in their campaign, PLEASE

bring your coupons in to the store and drop them in the box. This is a very essential piece of equipment for the hospital and may someday be used by a resident of Agawam. The Agawam chapter hopes to place several other containers in various areas of town for your convenience.

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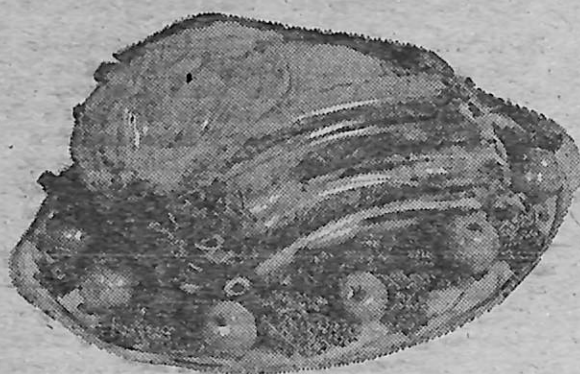
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The Bell Ringer

Ho-Hum!!

Attention Agawam citizens and Taxpayers—Oh, I'm sorry I did not mean to wake you or disturb your daily routine. But this year and next year tax increases should snap you out of it. "I Hope."

"Item"—Town meeting members vote new \$4.8 million dollar school. Vote was 81 for, 32 against—75 did not vote or did not show up to vote at all.

"Point of voters information." Agawam consists of 6 precincts. Each precinct has 30 elected representatives plus 8 at-large members—total 188 Town Meeting Members. Check the before mentioned vote on a \$4,800,000 school. Is this a true representation for approximately 22,000 citizens of Agawam? Why do these people seek election to this office? Do you know? Better still how come you elected them?

I must admit that a lot of you, like in the past, will raise hell about this situation, in your kitchen, living rooms or over the back fence. But will grudgingly pay your new taxes and pray that someone else will do something about it.

At the rate we are increasing our tax rate no one can blame new businesses for not coming to locate here. And new businesses are one of our chief salvations for relief of taxes.

From time to time your "Bell Ringer" will bring to your attention other Agawam items that should be of interest to you. I hope I have disturbed you and if I did I'm not sorry.

If you know something I should know, let me know and I'll ring the bell.

V. H. BRINN

Once upon a time a would-be-suicide stood on a seventh-story ledge of a Nashville building, and a fellow in the crowd below took the initiative in trying to dissuade the man.

"Think of your dear old mother!" he implored.

"She's dead," he replied laconically.

"Think of your wife and children!"

"I never married," he wept.

"Think of your God!"

"I have no religion," he said.

"Think of Robert E. Lee!"

"Who's he?"

There was only a slight pause before the Confederate Samaritan on the ground shouted: "Go ahead and jump, you Yankee so-and-so!"

REMEMBER—NO TAIL-GATING



My Neighbors



"It's okay, mother, when I say I'm going to be an activist... I mean within the Boy Scout movement."



The Agawam Independent
Walnut Street
Agawam, Mass.
Gentlemen:

Your publication recently carried a letter signed by Mr. George Reynolds, a town selectman and police Commissioner. It certainly should be commented upon.

I am impressed by Mr. Reynolds' generosity. He is one that supported a five percent increase for the town employees. In effect, what he recommended for the employees was that they take a cut in salary of one percent because the cost of living index for the year 1969 went up by about six percent and five percent is one percent less than six percent no matter how it is figured. In addition, all indications point to the fact that by the end of the current year, the town employees will be working for a wage that is six percent less than it was at the beginning of 1959 even though they received a five percent increase in 1970. I wonder if Mr. Reynolds will support a similar wage cut when the Springfield teacher's, of which he is one, negotiate their new contract.

He mentions the fact that the policemen did not show up to participate in the St. Patrick's Day parade. What he failed to mention was that if they had participated, they would have been unable to be back on the job at the time they were scheduled to work and as this was the day for the opening of Riverside Park in Agawam, it was imperative that the full complement of Police be on hand to handle that situation.

During the Police Union negotiations with the town selectmen, Mr. Reynolds displayed a complete lack of knowledge as to what collective bargaining is all about by taking a stand during the negotiation sessions that such items as educational credits, additional monies for photography and fingerprint experts were items that had to be brought to the floor of the town meeting; then at town meeting, stating that these same items should have been negotiated at the bargaining table. A complete about-face in attitude.

The town of Agawam is fortunate in having one of the finest Police Departments in the area and it is indeed unfortunate when a town official and member of the police commission sees fit to reward them for their loyalty by publicly berating them by imprudent statements that do not contain all of the facts.

By his letter, Mr. Reynolds displayed a complete lack of understanding and insensitivity to the problems of the employees he was elected to represent. If he has the best interest of the town at heart as he implies, perhaps the best thing he could do would be to resign and make room for a person with a little more understanding and concern.

Robert MacKenzie, Bus. Agent
Local 271 SEIU AFL-CIO
221 Dwight St., Spfld., Mass.

They say that women are smarter than men. But did you ever see a man wearing a shirt that buttons down the back?

Consumer Report

(This is another Consumer News column from Attorney General Robert H. Quinn to inform the citizens of Massachusetts about the laws that have been enacted to protect them as consumers.)

A Massachusetts couple sat in their living room recently and listened while a salesman described in glowing terms the assets of owning land in another state. It would give them a place to settle after retirement, or if they desired a sure-fire investment, the land would soon triple in value.

"But," the salesman continued, "you must act quickly. Only a few plots of land are left, and they are rapidly being bought up."

With that buildup, the salesman produced a contract, and the couple was encouraged to sign immediately, thus committing themselves to pay several thousand dollars for land they had never seen.

The Consumer Protection Division of my office has received several complaints concerning out-of-state land sales. Unfortunately, in some cases the land turns out to be swampy, or title to the land is questionable.

Anyone considering such an investment should see the property. If the salesman tries to rush you into buying without furnishing a complete description of the property or without affording you an opportunity to see the land, he probably has a reason for not wanting you to see it.

If the land is out of state, be sure to hire an attorney in that state to investigate the title and to examine the land, its location and its characteristics.

MENTAL ANGUISH RULING

A Massachusetts man has been awarded a total of \$844 to compensate for the mental anguish, humiliation and financial loss he suffered when the owners of a three-family house in Roslindale refused to rent an apartment to him because of his race.

The award for mental anguish, handed down by the state Supreme Judicial Court, was the first ruling of its kind in the state. The case was argued by Frederic R. Kellogg, an assistant attorney general in the Civil Rights and Liberties Division of my office.

The court found that the owners of the house, George and

Rosemary Franzoli of Allston, had falsely told Manfred Henry of Worcester that the apartment he wanted was already leased. He was awarded \$250 for humiliation and mental anguish and \$594 for expenses incurred because he could not find a place to live near work.

CHEMICAL POLLUTION

In Japan, several people have died after eating shellfish that came into contact with mercury wastes that were dumped into the ocean.

To avoid the risk of even one such death in Massachusetts, I have proposed the establishment of a special state agency to regulate the off-shore dumping of chemicals and other wastes.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, at my request, revoked the permit of a private firm to dump chemicals 9.3 miles off-shore. The firm handles most of the chemical disposal for Eastern Massachusetts.

But all such dumping must be controlled, and a means must be found for safely getting rid of the chemical wastes. The Chemical Disposal Board I have proposed, composed of members from the Department of Public Health, the Department of Public Works and the Department of Natural Resources, would take on this responsibility.



Mario Sakellis,
Executive Director

"Y" Membership Drive kicks off April 17.

Smorgasbord Saturday, the 18th, 5-7 p.m. continuous serving at the Junior High School Cafeteria.

Monday, the 20th the Junior Leaders Club will hold a clean-up party at the Outdoor Center.

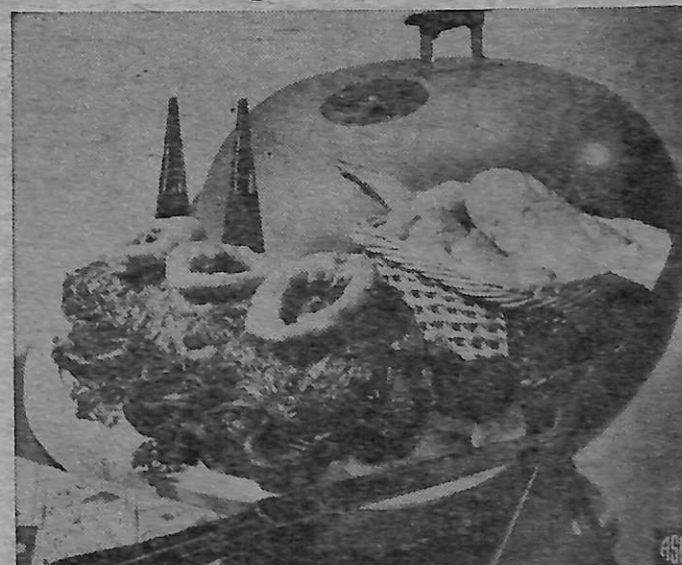
The week of April 20-24th will be spring clean-up week at the Agawam YMCA.

Thursday, the 16th, meeting at Nick Zucco's house for all Board of Directors.

A filing cabinet has been defined as a system for losing things alphabetically.

Hostess Aid

Barbecuing For Formal Dining



Hostesses everywhere are discovering that covered kettle barbecuing is the perfect companion to a formal dinner party, allowing them maximum time with their guests. And, when ease of preparation is desired, the chefs who created the original Weber covered barbecue kettle suggest whole beef tenderloin with baked mushroom caps as the entre. No cut compares in flavor, texture and pure eating pleasure, and none requires so little attention.

Select a five to six-pound tenderloin and allow it to warm to room temperature. Rub it vigorously with a garlic clove and then baste well with peanut oil before putting on the kettle's grill over medium, indirect heat. Cover and allow one hour for pink-in-the-middle medium done.

For a melt-in-the-mouth garnish prepare two or three large two-inch mushroom caps for each guest as follows. Wash the caps under cool running water, remove stems, then dry the caps thoroughly. Place the caps underside up in a greased, shallow baking dish, add a pat of butter to each cap and lightly sprinkle in salt, seasoned pepper, and grated Parmesan cheese. Cook alongside the tenderloin during the last 15 minutes.

When serving, arrange the mushroom caps around the meat, topping the tenderloin with a single row of french fried onion rings.

around the HOME

BY STEPHEN A. RITT

TICKS ARE TINY
EIGHT-LEGGED PARASITES THAT CAN TRANSMIT SERIOUS DISEASES. ONE KIND OF TICK FEEDS ON DOGS, HUMANS AND MANY DOMESTIC AND WILD ANIMALS. ANOTHER SPECIES RARELY BITES MAN, BUT OFTEN INFESTS HOMES WHERE IT BECOMES AN UNBEARABLE HOUSEHOLD PEST.

INSPECT YOUR DOG
CAREFULLY FOR TICKS AROUND THE EARS AND NECK, IN THE LEG PITS AND BETWEEN THE TOES. ALWAYS REMOVE THE ENTIRE TICK; USE A DROP OF ALCOHOL OR TURPENTINE TO MAKE IT LET GO. TICK POWDER OR LOTION WILL HELP PROTECT YOUR PET. DON'T FORGET TO CHECK YOUR OWN SKIN AND CLOTHING AFTER WALKS IN PASTURES OR WOODS.

INDOORS, TICKS HIDE
IN FURNITURE, CLOTHING, DRAPERIES AND CRACKS IN THE WOODWORK. THEY CAN LAY UP TO 5,000 EGGS AND SURVIVE ALMOST TWO YEARS WITHOUT EATING. BECAUSE TICKS RESIST MANY INSECTICIDES, DO-IT-YOURSELF EFFORTS MAY NOT SUCCEED. A TRAINED VOGEL-RITT PEST CONTROL OPERATOR CAN USE PROFESSIONAL TECHNIQUES TO FREE YOUR HOME OF TICKS.



On May 8, 9 and 15, 16, Chalkliners' audiences will enjoy the luxury of green velvet upholstered theater seats, a generous gift from the old Elks home on State Street, Springfield.

The cast is now in rehearsal at the Country Barn Playhouse,

1822 Main St., under the direction of Mrs. Charles Deliso, for their Spring production "Generation" by William Goodhart, a funny comedy about the generation gap. Henry Fonda played the lead on Broadway for two years to full houses. Chalkliners cast will be announced soon.

AGAWAM LODGE Loyal Order of Moose No. 1935



The Chairmen Bill Lamier and Bib Bissonnette of the Pancake and Sausage Breakfast wish to thank everyone who attended and the workers, Martha Lamier, Anna Bissonnette, Diane and Humphrey Stevenson. The attendance would have been larger except for the two other breakfasts held the same morning.

Gov. Dumond thanks everyone who worked on the Rummage Sale and announced there would be another in the near future. We are still accepting clothing and articles.

April 18—Moose Golden Ball at Chicopee Falls Lodge. William Wyman, Chairman and Francis Greaney is Chef.

April 19, at 2 p.m.—Women of the Moose, Chicopee Chapter will sponsor a CARD SOCIAL for the benefit of SUNSHINE VILLAGE. Adults only....Donation \$1.00.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: ELECTION OF OFFICERS will take place Tuesday, April 21. The Lodge will be open for voting from 3-8 p.m. The votes will be counted at the meeting which starts at 8 p.m. that same night. "Any member in good standing is eligible to vote," said Chairman Ted Waterman, "please make an extra effort to vote as this is one of your most important privileges as a member of this Lodge."

Glad to see Lil Smith is able to pay us a short visit after her long seige.

WE NEED YOU

Another VERY important notice. For our own good we need your support because the proceeds from this dinner will be GIVEN to our Lodge. THEY ARE HELPING US... The Chicopee Lodge is having a full

course Chicken and Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, April 26, at 4 p.m. at their Lodge, 244 Fuller Road, Chicopee Falls and dancing from 5-9 with the Varieties. Tickets are \$2.50 and may be purchased from either lodge. Reservations must be in before April 21st. Be a good BROTHER MOSE—call Secretary George Perry NOW for your tickets. adb.

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WITH NAVY MOBILE BTN. NPO 3/c PRESSLER DAVISVILLE, R.I. (FHTNC) — Navy Petty Officer Third Class Carl W. Preissler, of 352 Suffield St., Agawam, has returned to Davisville, R.I. with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion One after eight months of service in Vietnam.

It was the battalion's fourth consecutive tour in Vietnam.

A wife who had joined a bowling league returned from her first attempt at the new sport and was asked by her golfing husband:

"How did you do?" Replied his wife airily, "Well, at least I didn't lose any balls!"

Minnie R. Dwight Dessert Scholarship Card Party

The Minnie R. Dwight Memorial Scholarship Committee of the Home Dept. of the Hampden County Improvement League is planning a dessert scholarship card party to be held on Thursday evening, the 23rd, at 7 in the League Building, 1499 Memorial Ave., West Springfield.

The proceeds from this county-wide card party will supplement the scholarship fund. These scholarships are given to girls enrolling or are upper classmen in Home Economics either at the University of Mass. or Framingham State College.

Scholarships will be given to students of high scholastic ability and deserving of financial assistance. Announcements will be made at the spring leaders' meeting of the Home Dept., on May 21.

Chairman of the card party, Mrs. George Lemieux of North Wilbraham, will be assisted by Mrs. E. R. Jenny of West Springfield, tickets; Mrs. James Hines of Longmeadow, refreshments; Mrs. Rene Dumas of Ludlow, table mementos; Mrs. Frank Chrzanowski of Westfield, table tallies and setup; Mrs. Thomas Comiskey and Mrs. Lemieux of North Wilbraham, door prizes; and Mrs. Michael Demko of Agawam, publicity and decorations.

Tickets may be obtained by contacting Mrs. Jenny, ticket chairman, any member of the Home Dept. Groups or they may be obtained at the door. Many door prizes will be given and the public is invited.

Sarat Ford Salesmen Honored for Sales

Two salesmen of Sarat Motor Sales, 250 Springfield St., Agawam will be honored for outstanding sales performance of outstanding Ford salesmen throughout the country.

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Local Ford retail salesmen qualifying for 300-500 Club are: M.J. Villamaino and Carlos H. Newell.

Five Steps

(Continued From Page 1)

those who need help. Presently, these devoted people are being frustrated by a combination of intolerable paperwork and incredibly inept administration and leadership.

Neither the Governor nor Mr. Ott, according to Mr. Ott's testimony before this committee, have even talked personally to one another over the past year...even though Mr. Ott's department spent more than \$609 million last year, better than 40 percent of the total State budget.

We believe this communications gap constitutes unpardonably poor leadership on the part of both men Mr. Ott and the Governor.

We urge the removal of Mr. Durkin and Mr. Bowers because of their similarly inept leadership of the Springfield operation.

In Point 3 we urge a change in the C.E.P. Program because the present situation in Springfield has created serious morale problems among welfare workers. The C.E.P. trainee comes on the job at \$27 a week more than the civil service employee, while receiving other special grant welfare privileges.

Points 4 and 5 are self-explanatory, as is our request to the Speaker for the creation of a state-wide committee.

Members of the committee who have participated in the Springfield investigation and who join in filing these recommendations with the Governor and Speaker include: Reps. John P. O'Brien (D-Springfield), chairman; Rudy Chmura (D-Springfield), Walter T. Kerr (D-Agawam), Robert J. McGinn (D-Westfield), Vernon R. Farnsworth Jr. (R-Longmeadow), James A. Adams (R-Westfield), Roger L. Bernashe (D-Chicopee), Francis C. LaPointe (D-Chicopee), and James J. Bowler (D-Springfield).

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SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By BILL CHIBA

Clyde Light and his wife Helen along with Johnnie Whyte have been spending the last 3 weekends in Vermont ice fishing. Their favorite spot has been Lake Champlain in the vicinity of Chimney Point. Last week-end they really hit the jackpot. The count for the two days was 90 perch. Clyde says the secret is jigging with the right lure. He has spent many hours in his shop making up jigs from scrap metal obtained from his welding endeavors. He showed me some the other morning. You could hang them on a Christmas tree, they are that decorative. The fish like the color combinations and action

of the lures as they are jigged up and down. After all, this is what counts.

When you put out on the lake in your boat and motor that is over 5 1/2 horsepower this coming Saturday morning, opening of the fishing season in Mass., you had better have attached three inches behind the registration numbers on the port side a red reflectorized validating sticker which clearly shows that your boat is registered for 1970. Where do you obtain them? Saunderson Marina, Congamond, has them and at no cost to you. You must show your registration certificate, and the clerk will make a note of it for the boat registration crew. That is all there is to it. However, if you feel that it is not important and ignore obtaining one, you may find yourself doing your fishing from shore and more than likely being inconvenienced while the boat registry decides your case.

Elmer Massai, owner of Elmer's Sport and Bait Shop, Point Grove Rd., Southwick, Mass., has been certified as an official registration station for Sports Afield. You can register your lunker fish with Elmer for the Sports Afield Award that is given each year for the largest fish caught.

Elmer also has on hand live bait, red worms and nite crawlers for your convenience, plus boat rentals and sales. Stop in and see him when you are in the vicinity. He will gladly let you in on what the fish are hitting and where the hot spots are.

Maine's famed landlock salmon, the State's first official fish, is featured in a new publication put out jointly by the Sport Fishing Institute of Washington, D.C., and the Maine Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Game.

The 129-page booklet deals with the landlock's life history and management in Maine. It was written by Dept. fishery biologist Keith A. Havey of Machias and Kendall Warner of Bangor, both recognized experts on salmon.

Subjects discussed include the origin and distribution of the salmon ecology of the fish, the early history of the salmon sport fisheries, and the role of the hatchery. An appendix carries the population status, by county, of the landlocked salmon in Maine lakes.

There are also several illustrations and a number of graphs dealing with many statistics about the landlocked.

The publication is available from Fisheries Division of the Fish and Game Department in Augusta at \$2 each.



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Pocahontas on being asked about her adventure in the woods: "All I know is, he told me his name was John Smith."

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Packing the Catch



Clyde Light and his wife, Helen, North Westfield St., Feeding Hills, caught the 90 some perch Clyde is starting to stow in a game bag at the end of a very successful weekend on Lake Champlain, Vermont.

Agawam Parks and Playgrounds

SLO-PITCH

A very important Slo-Pitch meeting of all managers and coaches will be Monday night, the 20th, at 7:30 in the Recreation Office, 770 Main St.

This will be a 14 Team League. All rules will be discussed at this meeting and the opening date will be announced.

There are openings for only 3 more teams. If interested contact the director as soon as possible at the Park and Recreation Office (732-8451) 8:30 to 4:30 daily.

Teams entered so far are: Oxford Precision; Telephone Co.; Feeding Hills Auto Parts; Buxton Co.; Tony's Esso, Bridge of T'Ville; Center Cleaners of Chicopee; Agawam National Guard; Agawam Jaycees; Ferrara Springs; Agawam Moose; The Agawam Independents.

The Recreation Dept. is still taking teams in the 13-15 league and 16-18 league. This league will hold a very important meeting on Monday Night, April 27th, at 7 p.m. in the Recreation Office. Opening date and rules will be set.

Anyone interested in being

hired as umpires are asked to contact the office.

NEWS FOR VETS

The Veterans Administration has moved to clear up misconceptions about two types of military discharges.

Citing the problem, Administrator of Veterans Affairs Donald E. Johnson said today that misunderstanding about the differences between "honorable" and "general" discharge certificates are causing some veterans unjustified difficulties.

"Actually, both types of separation are completely acceptable for veterans benefits," Johnson explained.

He commented that the general discharge always has the qualifying phrase "under honorable conditions" because this type of separation is issued as evidence of honorable service.

The VA chief said some servicemen have reported trouble obtaining employment after showing potential employers their general discharge certificates.

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CITIZENS GROUP MEETING REPORT

The Agawam Citizens Organization held its most recent meeting at the First Baptist Church last Sunday night with President Rod Blakesley presiding.

An enthusiastic reception was given to the report of the development of the teen-age drop-in center and the work done by the young people on their own initiative. On their behalf the Lions Club put on a pancake breakfast with nearly 700 persons in attendance. A dance sponsored by the youth will be held April 20 at the Carousel, the center of their activities.

Interest in promoting the work of drug abuse prevention was universal at the meeting. Two meetings are planned in the educational aspect of this work for teen-agers and two for adults. It was reported that progress has been made in our town in combatting the drug abuse problem.

New directors elected at the meeting were: Mrs. Jessie Fuller, Mrs. Ethel Diamond, Mrs. Fred Affleck, Mrs. James St. Germain and Laurence Andrews. Plans for an award night and the annual dinner were presented to be held late in October. The next meeting of the Citizens group will be held in June.



THINK BIG

Why not start the new fishing season by deciding that this is the year to catch a fish big enough to make the record books?

Almost all state conservation departments record large fish taken from a state's waters. Eligible species include almost every fish in the United States, and how you catch the fish isn't important as long as it was by a legal sport fishing method.

How do you go about finding and catching a trophy fish? Well, the angling authorities at Mercury outboards suggest that there are proven techniques for locating big fish, methods followed by expert anglers.

An important first step is to decide which record you want to break. Study information about your state's present record catches, and decide which fish you intend to pursue. Then concentrate all your efforts toward catching that kind of fish. Read all available material about your quarry. Visit state fishery biologists and learn what they know about your fish, and where the best angling might be found.

Next, narrow the number of places you intend to fish to several promising bodies of water. Limit all fishing to those places which are the most likely spots for big fish. Study each lake or stream keeping in mind the things you've learned from prior reading and discussion.

As for fishing methods, try everything! Record-breaking fish from one mid-west state last year were taken by a number of techniques including lures, live bait, fly rods and bait casting equipment.

Of course, be familiar with your state's requirements for having a fish checked for possible entry in the record book. One precaution from the boys at Mercury: don't clean the fish until its weight has been verified.

The rewards for catching a record-size fish aren't much beyond personal satisfaction, admiration from other anglers, and expertise gained as a result of your effort. The big reward is the fun you had going fishing.

The President on physical fitness: "You've got to be in good shape to carry that tax load."

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LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT NEWS

By Mrs. Donald Catchpaugh

Sunday — May 3d, County Girls' State Tea; Thursday, Friday, Saturday — June 4th, 5th and 6th, Depts., convention to be held at the Holiday Inn in Peabody, Mass.; Saturday, June 13th to Saturday, June 30th — Massachusetts Girls' State will be held at Bridgewater State Teachers' College.

NOTES

New member Ida McCarthy has been welcomed to the group... President Jennie Bousquet was guest of the Unit at the County Banquet held April 11th... Unit #185 has contributed to the Department President's Testimonial to be held at the Department Convention... Field Service volunteers are needed — Post, Auxiliary, Sons of Legion and Juniors may contact their Rehabilitation Chairmen to find how they

can help veterans in nursing homes... Agawam Auxiliary has for a child to attend the Y.M.C.A. summer camp... Plans are being made to accept poppy donations in May... Agawam has a total of 67 paid-up members with a quota of 74... Agawam Unit was presented a certificate of appreciation for their work at the Christmas Gift Shop by the County Auxiliary.

Traveller: "What's this town called?"

Native: "That depends."

Traveller: "Depends on what?"

Native: "On whether or not you live in this run-down, dirty dump, or you're a tourist attracted by its picturesque scenery and quaint old-world charms."

SEAT BELTS SAVE LIVES!

Wine Enhances Beans and Franks



One of the easiest ways to discover how greatly wine improves the taste of food is to combine it with some everyday foods. The enhancement of their familiar flavors is immediately noticeable. A cook becomes an immediate success.

A casserole of baked beans and frankfurters is one good example. This is the kind of quickly-prepared dinner that many young wives serve when they hurry home from work or community activities to find a hungry husband waiting. Maybe he has brought guests with him. With a few extra touches, the beans and frankfurters can be turned into a very special dinner. California red dinner wine, such as a Burgundy, or a white dinner wine, like California Sauterne, will flavor the franks and provide a little extra sauce for the beans. There will still be enough wine in the bottle to serve with the meal. In a situation like this, wine is doubly welcome — as the festive beverage and as a flavoring — to set the mood for an extra-special dinner.

WINE SAUCED BEANS AND FRANKFURTERS (Serves 4)

3 frankfurters
1/2 cup California red or white dinner wine
2 cans (1-lb.) barbecue or baked beans
Prepared mustard
1/2 cup grated Cheddar cheese

Place frankfurters in saucepan. Add wine; cover and heat to simmering. Turn off heat and let stand a few minutes to plump up. Cut a lengthwise gash in top of each frankfurter. Turn 1 can of beans into casserole or baking pan. Arrange half the frankfurters on top, and add half the wine from cooking. Cover with remaining beans; place remaining frankfurters on top and pour on rest of wine. Bake in moderately hot oven (375 degrees) until hot and bubbly, about 20 minutes. Brush slits in top of frankfurters with mustard and fill with cheese. Return to oven about 5 minutes, until cheese melts.

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Westfield Savings Bank Assets Show Quarterly Gain

WESTFIELD — Total assets of the Westfield Savings Bank on March 31 were \$61,506,932, Harris J. Bond, treasurer, told the quarterly meeting of the bank's board of trustees at the Tekoa Country Club on Tuesday night. Arthur W. Knapp, president, presided.

Mr. Bond said that for the three months ended March 31 the gain in assets was \$1,219,751.

During the meeting trustees voted quarterly dividends of 5 1/2 per cent on special notice or 90-day accounts and 5 per cent on regular savings accounts.

Mr. Knapp said the second quarter dividend, payable April 10, totals \$685,000, the largest single quarterly dividend the bank has paid.

Trustees & Corporators Elected.
The election of two new members of the board of trustees and six new corporators took place during the 117th annual meeting of corporators of the Westfield Savings Bank. Arthur W. Knapp, president, presided.

The new trustees are: Alvah W. Elzerman of West Springfield, who is president-sales division, United States and Canada, for Stanley Home Products, Inc., of Westfield; and Atty. Philip C. Smith, a member of the Westfield law firm of Fuller Scharoff & Smith.

New corporators of Westfield Savings Bank are:

Ernest Cornelius, Jr., an assistant treasurer of the bank who is manager of the savings bank life insurance department; John B. Beltrandi, who heads Beltrandi & Co., of Agawam; Roland C. Hall, assistant treasurer who is in charge of the savings department; Joseph J. Mongeau, president of the Westfield Electroplating Co., of Westfield; Nuchi T. Prifti, owner of Prifti Motors of Southwick, and member of the Southwick Board of Selectmen; and Robert A. Zografos, president and treasurer of the A.A. Zografos Construction Co. of West Springfield.

Harris J. Bond, treasurer, reported that assets on March 31 were \$61,506,932, an increase of

\$3,543,619 for the 12 months, and that savings deposits on March 31 totaled \$54,270,643, for a 12-month gain of \$3,186,959.

Real estate loans were at a record \$47,757,858, reflecting a gain of \$4,090,810. Mr. Bond observed that mortgage demand remains strong.

During the meeting Mr. Knapp was re-elected president, and vice-presidents re-elected were: David C. Colton, president of the Colton Agency, Inc., and Wesley L. Mitchell, retired vice-president of Western Mass. Electric Co. Atty. Horace N. Fuller was elected clerk.

Trustees re-elected for three years were: David C. Colton; Eugene V. Oehlert of Agawam, retired; and John E. Reed, president of the Sterling Radiator Co., of Westfield.

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V.F.W. Post 1632 Auxiliary Bulletin

By ANNA D. BISSONNETTE

V. A. Hospital Activities

April 16, Thursday (today)—
Dance at the Recreation Hall—
American Red Cross.

April 17, Friday—Mt. Marie
Novices—Singing Group.

April 19, Sunday—Coffee Hour
—Holyoke Canteen American Red
Cross.

April 21—Orientation and In-
doctrination Course, Recreation
Hall at 7:30 p.m. All youth that
wish to be part of our YOUTH
VOLUNTEER PROGRAM be on
time.

April 23, Thursday—Carnival
—Veterans of Foreign Wars
Western County Council Aux-
iliary.

April 26, Sunday—Coffee Hour
—Westfield Canteen American
Red Cross.

Buddy Poppy Program

The 1970 V.F.W. Buddy Poppy
Girl is little Lisa Kay Brown who
lives at the V.F.W. National
Home in Eaton Rapids, Michigan.
She is 10 years old and in grade
5 and has been at Eaton Rapids
a year and a half. A husband and
wife team will head the Buddy
Poppy Sales this year, Past
Comdr. Thomas and President
Katherine Dickinson, announces
May 2 as the annual date of sale
at Riverside. Containers will be
placed at places of business and
lots of volunteers are also needed
to sell so that we may swell our
"Relief Funds." President Dick-
inson appointed Anna D. Bisson-
nette as the Auxiliary's Co-
chairman, as they have worked
together on this project the last
three years.

Now We Understand

It shall always be my policy
to take firm issue in following
the majority once that majority
has been established. Failure to
follow this pattern has to be
placed in the category of a "poor
loser" . . . Some you win and some
you lose. Be thankful for the
"wins" and be a "gracious loser"
and you can live with yourself
and your friends.

I am sorry for those who lost
the proposal on the Town meet-
ing floor to build a new high
school. Mr. Francis Colli was a
courageous leader and a gracious
loser if I ever saw one. He ac-
cepted the dictates of the Town
meeting and I am reasonably sure
it was "final" as far as he was
concerned.

Unfortunately there was at
least one man on his committee
who cannot stand a loss even
though he has had ample prac-
tice. As a result of his reactions
to the Town meeting decision on
the above issue, I now must feel
sorry for the whole town. As a
Town I would want to alert you
to the potential liabilities of sub-
jecting yourselves to further de-
lay in the construction of a new
Junior High School. Sentiment
and emotion in this program
would attempt to suppress logic
and understanding. You cannot
afford to make this mistake.

Certainly it is sensible to make
a complete survey . . . but this
survey and they are in full ac-
cord in supporting it. It is not
logical to oppose this issue just
to support the fantastic whims of
one stubborn individual.

Be that as it may, let's con-

sider his methods. It is not ethi-
cal, nor is it protocol, to have
young people who advertise at
your doorsteps in seeking signa-
tures for a petition, that they
represent the Agawam High
School Student Council. To ex-
ercise such a petition without the
expressed consent of the High
School Principal, the Superin-
tendent, and the School Commit-
tee is entirely "out of bounds." It
is the first time in my life that I
have ever heard of such action.
Remember these young people are
neither voters or taxpayers. Mo-
tivated primarily by a selfish de-
sire to construct a new high
school and diverted by leaders
who have failed to prove why
common sense should not prevail
could lead unsuspecting parents
into deep pitfalls.

I have heard many comments
and criticism about young men
who have taken over on at least
two occasions a part of a local
college. It is common to hear that
they should be "expelled" as up-
starts who exceed their just
rights and rebel against adminis-
tration and the majority.

Under the Agawam Charter
the Town meeting is the author-
ity. As undergraduates of our
high school taking it upon them-
selves to circulate petitions
against that authority is rebel-
lious and is certainly parallel to
some extent to the local college
situation.

To circulate a petition is one
thing but to fail to explain both
sides of the issue is deceit. Your
Town Manager Committee is also
circulating a petition requiring
15% of the total voting popula-
tion to investigate the possibili-
ties of a charter change. This is,
however, a result of Town meet-
ing action and not rebellious to
any former action. Further more,
if positive action is taken, it shall



Agawam youths recently made the above shown
kite and flew it at Eastern States grounds over
the past weekend. The 8 foot tail and 5½ feet
width kite has a perimeter of 19 feet. Left to
right: Jim Burgamaster, Jim Marcus, John

Robertson, Mark Scales, Bob Marcus, and Chuck
Dwyer who built the kite. To keep it in balance,
the kite had a 40 foot tail. It was made out of
cloth (Photo by: J. Welt Taylor, Feeding Hills).

be followed by public hearings so
that all may have an opportunity
to understand.

Discount the \$2000 expenditure
which this referendum may cost
but as a taxpayer you will not
want to discount the millions of
dollars lost by an unnecessary de-
lay.

Most Sincerely,
George L. Reynolds, Selectman.

Married man to good-looking
bachelor: "How in the world have
you been able to stay single so
long?"

Good-looking bachelor: "It's
easy. Every time I look at tele-
vision, I know at least 180,000,000
women are anemic, have stringy
hair, lack muscle tone, are over-
weight and have rough hands!"

Shrine Circus May 7 At WS Coliseum

Dr. Kenneth E. Nicholson, Po-
tentate of Melha Temple, an-
nounced today that the 16th An-
nual Melha Shrine Circus will be
at the Eastern States Coliseum,
West Springfield, May 7 through
10. He added further that Rich-
ard C. Zoller, Past Potentate, will
again serve as General Chairman
for this year's event.

Clyde Brothers Circus, produc-
ers of more Shrine Circuses than
any other producer, will again
present this year's circus. How-
ard W. Suesz, President of Clyde
Brothers, has assured everyone
they have booked an array of tal-
ent with sufficient variety to
please even the most discriminat-
ing circus followers. They prom-
ise a Shrine Circus that will ap-
peal to the impressionable child,
the enthusiastic teenager and the
sophisticated adult, with a fast-
moving program presented in
keeping with the highest stand-
ards of decency and delightfulness.

The Melha Shrine Circus ticket
office will open at the Eastern
States Coliseum, Monday April
13th. The Shriners plan to cele-
brate the Box Office opening by
releasing a moving van full of
gas filled balloons from the Court
of Honor at the Coliseum on
Monday at 1:00 p.m. Each bal-
loon will have attached to its a
brightly colored tag which will
inform the finder that if he lives
in the community that is the
greatest distance from Spring-
field, but still within a 250 mile
radius, the finder and a com-
panion may be guests of the
Shriners at the opening night
performance of the Shrine Cir-
cus. All travel expenses to the
circus will be paid by the Shrin-
ers.

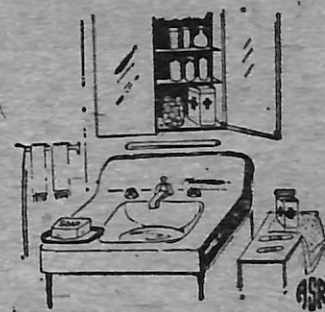
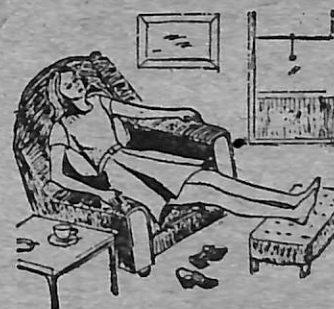
The tickets office will be open
daily from 10:30 a.m. to 6:00
p.m. Monday through Saturday.

Health Hints

FROM BLUE SHIELD

Soap and Water

Soap and water is the best
antiseptic treatment for small
cuts and wounds. You don't
need strong antiseptics to
cleanse minor cuts. In fact,
strong antiseptics sometimes
cause chemical burns that may
aggravate the wound. Wash
minor cuts and wounds with
plenty of soap and water and
apply a sterile bandage to keep
the wound area clean. Also,
remember to keep a cut finger
out of your mouth. Your mouth
contains bacteria that may
cause infection.



Rest Your Feet

Do your feet tire easily? Kick
off your shoes and relax in
your favorite easy chair or
sofa. Elevate your feet to hip
level or higher, if possible. This
position will improve circula-
tion, relax pressure on your
feet and give them a chance to
cool off so that swelling is re-
duced. It will also give you a
chance to rest before you face
another task.

Safety Pins

Mothers, do you hold safety
pins in your mouth while
changing baby's diaper? If so,
you're courting trouble. Babies
love to imitate and when they
see their mother put safety
pins in her mouth, they assume
that's what they are for. For
your child's sake, avoid hold-
ing pins in your mouth. In-
stead, keep a small pin cushion
near the crib and use the cush-
ion to hold the pins. Be sure
that the pin cushion and pins
are out of the baby's reach at
all times.



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